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TO AMCONSUL FRANKFURT

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SUBJECT: INDEBTEDNESS OF SGT THOMAS WOODSON

FRANKFURT FOR RMO AND RSS; STATE FOR A/SY/FO (PLEASE
PASS COMSGBN)

1. SGT WOODSON VISITED HELSINKI SOMETIME JANUARY 74,
AND CASHED TWO \$500 CHECKS AT THE HELSINKI EMBASSY.
BOTH CHECKS WERE RETURNED TO THE EMBASSY WITHOUT PAYMENT.
HE CLAIMED THAT HIS BANK HAD MADE A MISTAKE AND WROTE A
\$1000 CHECK TO COVER THE TWO RETURNED CHECKS. RSO WAS
JUST ADVISED THAT THE \$100 CHECK WAS RETURNED FOR "INSUFFICIENT
FUNDS."

2. EMBASSY HELSINKI QUITE NATURALLY CONCERNED. THEY HAVE
A \$200 LIMIT ON CASHING OF PERSONAL CHECKS, BUT MADE
EXCEPTION TO MOSCOW PERSONNEL BECAUSE OF DIFFICULTY IN
OBTAINING U.S. DOLLARS AT MOSCOW EMBASSY. SINCE U.S.
GOVERNMENT WILL ONLY COVER \$200 OF BAD CHECK, HELSINKI
ADMIN COUNSELOR IS NOW PERSONALLY LIABLE FOR BALANCE.
THIS HAS ALREADY AFFECTED MOSCOW PERSONNEL WISHING TO
CASH PERSONAL CHECKS IN HELSINKI

3. REALIZE THAT WOODSON IS NO LONGER ASSIGNED TO COMPANY,
BUT WOULD APPRECIATE YOU FORWARDING THIS INFO ON TO HIS
PRESENT COMMANDER, WITH REQUEST THAT THE FUNDS
BE COLLECTED. THANK YOU.

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